

JAMMU & KASHMIR PHARMACY COUNCIL (Constituted under Section -19 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948) Combined Food & Drug Lab, Patoli Mangotrian, Jammu/Dalgate Srinagar. Email: presidentikpharmacycouncil@gmail.com, Tele: 0191-2536043.

ORDER NO: 24-JKPC OF 2023.

DATED: 0 .11.2023.

Subject: The Pharmacy (Amendment) Act, 2023.

Whereas, The Pharmacy (Amendment) Act, 2023 was notified in terms of the Act no: 31, dated: 15th of August, 2023;

Whereas, the above amendment is reproduced as under:

"32C. Notwithstanding anything contained in section 32, any person whose name has been entered in the register of pharmacists maintained under the Jammu and Kashmir Pharmacy Act, 2011 or possess qualification (Medical Assistant/Pharmacists) prescribed under the said Act shall be deemed to have been entered in the register of pharmacists prepared and maintained under Chapter IV of this Act, subject to condition that an application to be made in this behalf within a period of one year from the commencement of the Pharmacy (Amendment) Act, 2023 and on payment of such fee, and in such manner, as may be prescribed by the Government of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Administration of Union Territory of Ladakh.;

Whereas, the Jammu & Kashmir Pharmacy Council invited applications from all eligible candidates holding eligibility determined by the amended **Pharmacy** (Amendment) Act, 2023 reproduced herein above and offered (02) online portals, through our official website link: www.jkpc.in dedicated for seeking registration as Pharmacist;

Whereas, initially it was made mandatory for all the applicants to upload their documentary evidence to the extent that the <u>Medical Assistants/Pharmacists</u> have obtained registration from the J&K Para Medical Council (Regulatory

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body for regulating the practice and profession of Medical Assistant/Pharmacist course in the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir in terms of J&K Para Medical Council Act, 2014);

Whereas, several representations have been received where under the applicants have expressed their unwillingness to obtain dual registrations with [J&K Para Medical Council & J&K Pharmacy Council of U.T of J&K] citing financial/time constraints;

Whereas, the representations received by the J&K Pharmacy Council were examined and an emergency meeting of Members of J&K Pharmacy Council was convened on **01.11.2023** through physical/virtual mode;

Whereas, the matter was deliberated at length and it was finally decided that the condition of uploading registration from J&K Para Medical Council requires to be waived off;

Now therefore, it is hereby ordered that the process of registration as Pharmacists as per above decision shall be expedited to ensure that no applicant who holds undisputed eligibility for registration as Pharmacist as per the Pharmacy (Amendment) Act, 2023 fails to avail of the opportunity to get themselves registered as Pharmacist within the stipulated time period.

However, all existing practices adopted by the Council to filter any attempt by unscrupulous elements to acquire registration as Pharmacist on the basis of suspected credentials shall be adhered to in letter and spirit.

> (Lotika Khajuria) Ex-Officio -President,

> > 01/11/2023

Jammu & Kashmir Pharmacy Council.

NO: JKPC-271-284/Estt- 1304-13 Copy to:

 The Administrative Secretary to Government, Health & Medical Education Department, J&K, Civil Sectt, Srinagar/Jammu for favour of information.

 Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, U.T of J&K for favour of information of the worthy Principal Secretary.

3. All Members, J&K Pharmacy Council for information.

4. Admin Online, Portal/Official Website, JKPC.